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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated **October 18, 2002** concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 19, 21, and 23-26.

Please substitute for original claims 1, 3, 7-18, 20 and 22 the following rewritten version of the same claim, as amended.